

# **BIOGRAPHY**



# UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

## MAJOR GENERAL TORRENCE W. SAXE

Maj Gen Torrence W. Saxe is the Adjutant General, Alaska National Guard and the Commissioner, Alaska Department of Military and Veterans Affairs at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska. As the Adjutant General, he is the senior military advisor to the governor of Alaska and commander of the Alaska National Guard, responsible for overseeing the training and readiness of 3,900 Airmen and Soldiers. He also oversees the Alaska State Defense Force, Alaska Naval Militia, Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Veterans' Affairs Office, and Alaska Military Youth Academy. General Saxe is the official liaison between the state and federal Department of Veterans Affairs, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and all military forces in Alaska.

General Saxe entered the Air Force in 1995 as a distinguished graduate of the Officer Training School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. General Saxe joined the Alaska Air National Guard in 2004, serving as commander of the 213th Space Warning Squadron and the 13th Space Warning Squadron. As the 13th Space Warning Squadron commander, he was the Federal Installation Commander. He also served as the commander of the 168th Wing, Eielson AFB, Alaska. Prior to his current position, General Saxe was the commander of the Alaska Air National Guard, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska.



#### **EDUCATION**

1993 Bachelor of Arts, Government, Eastern Washington University, Cheney

2001 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., by correspondence

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2002 Master of Arts, Air Warfare, American Military University, Manassas, Va.

2006 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2013 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2013 Master of Arts, Strategic Studies, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2013 Joint Professional Military Education Level II, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2019 Senior Leader Orientation Course, Joint Base Andrews, Md., and Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1. November 1995 November 1997, Intercontinental Ballistic Missile Deputy Crew Commander, 341st Missile Wing, Malmstrom AFB, Mont.
- 2. November 1997 November 1998, ICBM Flight Commander/Instructor, 341st Missile Wing, Malmstrom Air Force Base, Mont.
- 3. November 1998 August 1999, ICBM Flight Commander/Instructor, Operations Support Flight, 341st Missile Wing, Malmstrom Air Force Base, Mont.
- 4. August 1999 August 2000, Chief, Standardization and Evaluation, 13th Space Warning Squadron, Clear Air Force Station, Alaska
- 5. August 2000 August 2001, Commander, Operations Support Flight, 5th Space Sureillance Squadron, Royal Air Force Feltwell, U.K.

- 6. August 2001 May 2002, Commander, Detachment 1, 21st Operations Group, Royal Air Force Feltwell, U.K.
- 7. May 2002 May 2003, Executive Officer, 21st Operations Group, Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.
- 8. May 2003 May 2004, Space and Missile Assignments Officer, Mission Support Directorate, Headquarters Air Force Space Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.
- 9. May 2004 August 2004, Squadron Commander, 13th Space Warning Squadron, Clear Air Force Station, Alaska
- 10. August 2004 August 2005, Commander, Operations Support Flight, Detachment 1, Alaska Air National Guard Headquarters, Clear Air Force Station, Alaska
- 11. August 2005 August 2006, Chief, Standardization Evaluation, 213th Space Warning Squadron, Clear Air Force Station, Alaska
- 12. August 2006 August 2008, Director of Operations, 213th Space Warning Squadron, Clear Air Force Station, Alaska
- 13. August 2008 June 2011, Commander, 213th Space Warning Squadron, Clear Air Force Station, Alaska
- 14. June 2011 March 2012, Commander 13th Space Warning Squadron, Clear Air Force Station, Alaska
- 15. March 2012 May 2013, Resident Student Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama
- 16. May 2013 November 2014, Commander 176th Maintenance Group, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
- 17. November 2014 November 2015, Vice Commander 168th Air Refueling Wing, Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska
- 18. November 2015 December 2018, Commander 168th Wing, Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska
- 19. June 2018 December 2018, Assistant Adjutant General Air, Alaska, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
- 20. December 2018 Present, The Adjutant General, Alaska, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Achievement Medal

Combat Readiness Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

National Defense Service Medal with bronze star

Southwest Asia Service Medal with two bronze stars

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal with "N" Device

Army Service Ribbon

Kuwait Liberation Medal Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant March 17, 1995 First Lieutenant March 17, 1997 Captain March 17, 1999 Major Nov 10, 2004 Lieutenant Colonel February 5, 2009 Colonel Dec 20, 2013 Brigadier General Dec 28, 2018 Major General Dec 14, 2020

(Current as of January 2021)